## Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 22

## **RESOLUTION CHAPTER 21**

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 22—Relative to College Awareness Month.

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SCR 22, Solis. College Awareness Month.

This measure would proclaim February 2000 to be "College Awareness Month." This measure would urge California residents to encourage elementary and secondary school pupils to succeed in their academic endeavors so they may earn a college education and contribute to the economic, social, and political future of California.

WHEREAS, The California Education Round Table and its Intersegmental Coordinating Committee are sponsoring February 2000 as "College Awareness Month"; and

WHEREAS, California needs a college-educated workforce in order to maintain a strong and vibrant economy, a cohesive society, and an effective democracy; and

WHEREAS, Pupils have to learn the skills, competencies, and behaviors that will enable them to have a variety of choices after high school graduation, including entering and succeeding in college; and

WHEREAS, California is disadvantaged when pupils leave high school before they graduate—a situation that happens too frequently—or graduate without the skills that are necessary to participate productively in the state's future; and

WHEREAS, Parents have important responsibilities in encouraging their daughters and sons to master the skills in elementary and secondary school that will prepare them to pursue a college education; and

WHEREAS, California's educational community will be conducting a statewide campaign during the month of February to provide parents with information in the appropriate language that will assist them in serving as academic advisers and financial planners for their daughters and sons so that they can graduate from college; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature of the State of California hereby supports the actions of the California Education Round Table by proclaiming February 2000 as "College Awareness Month"; and be it further

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Resolved, That the Legislature urges the residents of California to encourage elementary and secondary school pupils to succeed in their academic endeavors so that they may earn a college education and contribute to the economic, social, and political future of this state; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit a copy of this resolution to the Governor, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the California Education Round Table.